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The reply filed on September 25, 2007, is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The originally filed claims were directed to an electrochemical process. The claims as amended are directed to an electroless process. Claims directed to an electroless process are considered to be directed to an invention which is distinct from that recited in claims directed to an electrochemical process. Electrochemical processes are classified in class 205, while electroless processes are classified in class 427. As amended, none of the pending claims is directed to the invention originally claimed. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

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